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Main Entry: **ad-jac-cent**

Pronunciation: \ə-ˈjā-snt\

Function: *adjective*

Etymology: Middle English, from Anglo-French or Latin; Anglo-French, *ajesant*, from Latin *adjacent-*, *adjacens*, present participle of *adjacere* to lie near, from *ad-* + *jacere* to lie; akin to Latin *jacere* to throw — more at **JET**

Date: 15th century

**1 a** : not distant : **NEARBY** <the city and *adjacent* suburbs> **b** : having a common endpoint or border <*adjacent* lots> <*adjacent* sides of a triangle> **c** : immediately preceding or following

**2 of two angles** : having the vertex and one side in common

— **ad-jac-cent-ly** *adverb*

**synonyms** **ADJACENT**, **ADJOINING**, **CONTIGUOUS**, **JUXTAPOSED** mean being in close proximity. **ADJACENT** may or may not imply contact but always implies absence of anything of the same kind in between <a house with an *adjacent* garage>. **ADJOINING** definitely implies meeting and touching at some point or line

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<had *adjoining* rooms at the hotel>. CONTIGUOUS implies having contact on all or most of one side <offices in all 48 *contiguous* states>. Juxtaposed means placed side by side especially so as to permit comparison and contrast <a skyscraper *juxtaposed* to a church>.

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